

years." He limit being six years, the driver had to give a check for the child, and, of course, collected full fare for the child. The mother, who had been provoked, and as the car moved on, with emphasis and a shake of the fist at the child, "Next time, you say first the Grandmother, then the mother, and the mother in her instruction," argued the matter in some length. The whole party were quite handsomely dressed, and the mother of the child was a large, rosy around her neck—  
*—Lester Gosslee.*

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**The Logic of Politicians.**

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Congress has, since the war, assumed the right to exercise supervision and control over the State Governments of the

of the freedmen and immigrants.

royalty from the North, plantation owners in the South, and the Federal Government, which guaranteed to the people of the State the right to regulate their local affairs in their own way. The South accepted this interference. Indeed, she even accepted the Federal Government's right to send troops to the States where it was impossible for Congress therefore to be the recognized arbiter of all questions between the white and black man and, in the case of Louisiana, Georgia and North Carolina, did not hesitate to act upon the Federal Government's assurance that in the cases referred to the principle that invoked congressional preference was made by black men or by black man's party. It was not until the tax-payers of the States, and the people, by their own memorial, that an option case was ever made. It presented an anomalous feature in reconstruction, was treated, considering the assumption

The Judiciary Committee, to whom the memorial was referred, reported adversely to the prayer of the petition. The reason embodied in their report point to an inverse conclusion. They admit the duty of Congress to apply a national remedy to the people of the State, but they cite the grievances of the South Carolina loyalists spring from the constitution amendments, adopted by the people. If any are done, are of a national character in this sense, says the report, Congress cannot interfere.

If this assumption is correct, the conclusion is illogical. Precisely for this reason Congress should interfere. The amendment is a national remedy which enables an ignorant black majority to govern the State. The State Constitution under which this done was creature of Congress. The amendment was made to conform to stipulations down by that body, and in order to do

Government, a precedent was then established which justifies it in interfering again to redress any grievance which might be produced by its former act. It is morally bound to do so. The constitutional amendments were not the work of South Carolina, but of Congress, forced upon her against her will. It is therefore, that the right of Congress to interfere to redress the wrongs of South Carolina from oppression is based on the fact that the injury complained of was the result of former congressional interference. A refusal to do so is an evasion of the logic of the argument asserted by Congress in forcing the reconstruction measures on the South.—*St. Louis Republic*.

\$2,000,000 fund for no other reason than because they thought the passage of a general amnesty should anticipate an appropriation of that amount to the benefit of the Union. But for this objection they would have sustained the bill. The fundamental idea of the bill is that the South is a nation of greatness and unity of this nation, but a mockery to talk of this while its people are deprived of their civil rights, in which respect the South is far behind the North, and now have almost the dimmest traditions. The injustice to these men and individuals, is but the least part of the wrong done to the South. The Government, by extending them from the right of suffrage and holding office prohibits many of the native ability of the South from participating in the work of the Government. The effect of this is seen in the wretched misgovernment of several of the Southern States. Had universal amnesty been proclaimed last year, the South would have been South in a fair chance to themselves felt in public affairs, we

Louisiana and Arkansas would now govern with something like decency but even without reference to these possible advantages, the South has the common generosity and prudent manliness to restore the ex-Confederate their lost privileges a long time ago. It is not a matter of time, but of then two or three at a time, after sufficient humiliation. If Congress wishes the people to celebrate the Centennial anniversary of the Revolution, it should immediately grant amnesty to all political offenders, so that those persons may themselves into the proper frame of mind for the Jubilee of 1876. N. F. *Journal of Commerce*.

**Personal and Political Points.**

—An exchange says that "Ben Bit would be happy if he could get a vignette on the ten-cent stamp." No wonder, for he is a man who would be happier if he could get his hands on the ten-cent stamp.

—Another exchange declares

constitute no mean power in a political convention in Massachusetts." No, they constitute everything else the matter is concerned.

—A William Ward, of New York, claims to be the greatest thief in the country outside of Congress." That may be but he ought to remember he has no small number of friends outside of the inside of Congress.

—A Nevada paper says that Senator Stewart used to be a restaurant waiter and that he has been elected to the Senate as Congressman." Then, the editor of the restaurant must have been an idiot for he would not have kept that waiter from being elected.

—Having heard that General Butler was going to Europe, a St. Louis paper writes him to take passage in a steamer that was to be lengthened; just as if a steamer could grow a man who was born and could grow a man who was a steamer.

—The Indianapolis Journal says: "One thing at least, the Democrats are

Republican parties often in *facto*. The mer has never been known to be a party of fraud committed by the use of its own members, and the latter has not been known to conceal one." This is in face of the fact that if all the whites—which the leaders of the Republican party used in the burning of the colored people—all in one mass, it would form a lake large and deep enough to submerge the United States navy.—*Louisville Courier-Journal*.

—While Mrs. J. Blenk, of Dallas, Texas, Iowa, was doing her spring house-cleaning, she started to carry a rifle up-stairs when the hammer caught on a step and started the bullet going. The striking right eye and passing through the brain causing instant death.

A TEMPTING INDUCEMENT.—Chas. J. ...

advantage of *our* company is, that you not forfeit your policy either by being changed or committing suicide! I take a prospectus!"

A serious-looking individual drew this toward him, saying, apologetically, "This is the day-dream of my neighbor, an Irish gentleman. He immediately jerked his fork into the dish and transferred it to his own plate, remarking: "Sir, do you suppose anybody has a soul to be saved but yourself?"

If there is one thing more than any other that will crush all the best impulses in a man's breast, that will drive all beauty from his life, that will make him a demoniac desire to dabble his hands in human gore and fling it around, as the laughing child spouts with bunches of blood-red petals, is the knowledge of the existence of the sun, the dust of the street, the rattling feet of the heartless crowd, in order to catch a freight train; to sink again into the mud of existence, to be trampled in the boose-car, and gradually regain consciousness.